edition of the confederation organ, the Volx du Peuple, but the prefect ordered the postmen to detain all copies of the inflammatory paper. The postmen thereupon voted to protest against being obliged to act as detectives. The judicial authorities withhold all de-tails of the selzures made, but it is claimed that one of the documents found at the home of an imperialist is a proclamation addressed to the army and designed to be

perialist regime.
The governmental organs assert that a plot between the mining agitators in the north and the political agitators in Paris was fully organized. The opposition journals deny the existence of a plot and treat the affair as an "electoral opera

issued after the success of the plot, and that the police also captured lists of future

aries and ministers under the im-

The police executed six more searches this morning growing out of the labor disturbances in the horth. They included the residence of M. Delasalles, assistant secretary of the confederation of labor; the offices of a revolutionary paper, the Liberateur, and also the apartments of several persons suspected of being anarchist sympathizers.
The striking book printers at a meeting

today voted to continue the strike until the labor troubles are finally disposed of. A sensational newspaper this afternoon says that a number of residences of people of the middle class were placarded dur ing the night with notices that their houses

ald be burned. The statement is not con-The strike centers are calm. There have teen no further demonstrations or disorders

owing to the powerful concentration of troops at all the disturbed quarters. About one hundred striking jewelers this order to make a demonstration in th jewelry quarter, the Rue de la Palx, epublican guards and police barred their access to the square, and finally they were back. A number of arrests were

#### No Extra Precautions at Berlin.

BERLIN, April 28.-The police president said today that it would not be necessary to take any extraordinary steps to preserve order here on May day. The whole police force would, of course, be on duty, as socialistic meetings and festivities would be going on during the day.

The socialistic members of the reichstag have decided to attend the reichstag May 1. The leaders are anxious to prevent disturzonces by all means as rioting would give the government an opportunity to adopt severe measures in the future. The Gerstrations on May 1 that they are almost unwhere the employers are organizing to lock out, as punishment, for several days all their workmen who participate in disturb

# DELUGED BY THE MUD

### FRESH DISASTER IN THE REGION OF VESUVIUS.

NAPLES, April 28 .- Oceans of mud brought from the mountain side by torrential rains Friday night are practically submerging the Vesuvius region. The situation can be described only as a black misery, and if it rains again soon it will be absolutely hopeless. The recent eruption of Mount Vesuvius having closed the old water channels, a torrent of rain Friday night had thousands of outlets in all directions and carrying black mud with it broke up bridges, weakened houses at the bases as the ashes had already done on the roofs, inundated streets, contaminated drinking water and attacked all that the ingenuity of man had erected for his own

Among the people today was seen the calmness of despair. There were no ravens the will and removes the desire to do anything. About thirty houses, which were almost submerged, but have not yet fallen may be saved if the rains are not repeated; but if the downpour starts again preparations have been made to blow them up with dynamite in order to prevent a worse

disaster. Wood huts are being erected rapidly at Ottajano for the homeless and the houses that were damaged by the eruption are being strengthened by an army of masons, while the roads are already considerably cleared, so that communication between be established, but the rand will be more difficult to remove than ashes, as it is mixed with cinders and hardens when dry-

Ing.
All now depends on the weather, which tonight was most promising, the sky having

Amid all the upheavals Prof. Matteucci and Perret remained in the observatory, although Friday night another portion of the roof was torn away, and it though the observatory would be enguifed. King Edward and Queen Alexandra today made vain attempts to reach the ob-servatory and then Ottajano, but finally were obliged to go to Torre Amunzlata, from which place they returned here. King Edward sent a contribution of \$4,000 to the mayor of Naples for the assistance of the

# FRENCH SALON OPENING

### SELECTIONS OF JURY FOR THE YEAR'S WORK.

PARIS, April 28.-The salon of the Soclety of French Artists, opening to the pub-He May 1, presents once again the lesson of the survival of the fittest. Although in its 124th year, and having passed through many storms and revolts, its youth and vigor are unquenchable.

Evidence of this will be seen in the work

of the jury of selection of this year. Many burdensome traditions have been abandoned and new rules passed since the beginning of this century, but none so far reaching as those adopted this spring. Heretofore all members and exhibitors having gained the title of hors concours (not competing) have been exempt from passing the jury of admission, and by tradition were accorded the best places on the line, leaving for the great mass little choice of

By the new rules all must now receive a number for place on strict equality. Favor-Itism has also been abolished in other directions as well. Many who have been first are now last, and many are cast into outer darkness. It is rather hard for these last,

but infinitely good for all true lovers of art and strenuous effort. The salon is good throughout, but a sedous examination of the merits of each

# The following is a resume of the most

F. A. Bridgeman, the American artist exhibits a ravishing figure of an oriental in an Algerian garden, excelling in delicacy and flarmony of tone in line. On the whole it is one of his best works.

Emile Adam shows two charming pictures, one of a young woman in an autumn landscape, her arms filled with chrysinthemums; the other a picture of a bout Barrillot has two portraits of men, both surpassing in vigor and surety of technique, Mr. Asppe has two remarkable portraits

bearing a strong impress of the English school, with a quality of coloring and handling distinctly personal. Chartron sends one of the best portraits he has yet shown. It presents an Indian magnate. He also has a splendid portrait

magnate. He also has a splendid portrait of a lady in black.

Percival Rosseau, an American artist, shows a group of shooters and dogs, which he calls "During the Hunt." This is very fine and is greatly admired, the nervous activity of the animals showing out admirably. Their attitude is quite natural, reminding one of Landseer.

Henry Caron exhibits a good landscape.

Henry Caron exhibits a good landscape.

P. Blanchard has a painting showing the merits of great delicacy.

Julien Dupre has a good picture, "In the Hayfield."

Opinion of President Mitchell on Baer's Letter.

FOR THE COAL OPERATORS

Statement Given Out at Wilkesbarre Last Night.

REGRETS CONFERENCE FAILED

Miners' Conciliatory Overtures for Peace Construed by Mine Owners as Sign of Weakness.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., April 28.-Presi dent Mitchell gave out the following state

ment today: "I have received, read and formally knowledged President Baer's answer to the hast demands made upon the operators by the miners. It appears perfectly evident that the operators have not changed their attitude in any particular during the past six years and that the strikes of 1900 and 1902 were no lesson to them. There is no instance on record during the quarter of a century which the railroads have domi-nated the anthracite industry that an advance in wages has been granted to their employes. Every concession has been wrung from them by strikes and the presemployes.

sure of public sentiment.

"The railroad coal combination not only fixes arbitrarily the price at which coal is sold to consumers, but seeks to fix arbi-trarily the price at which labor shall be bought. It seems that every conciliatory overture we have made for a peaceful settlement has been interpreted by the opera-tors as a sign of weakness and our conservatism an evidence of cowardice.

### Question Asked by Operators.

"The question is asked by the operators Where is the advance to come from if it is not charged up to the consumer of domestic coal? It occurred to me that the small advance proposed by the miners might have been taken off the exorbitant freight rates harged by them. What the outcome will be cannot be predicted until the convention "Personally I am much disappointed, and

am sure all mine employes expected more onsideration than they have received." President Mitchell said he has called a meeting of the miners' subscale committee to meet here or at Scranton on Monday, and the latest reply of the operators will be submitted to the committee. Mr. Mitchell would not say whether all correspond ence with the operators was at a nend. He will remain here until Tuesday, when he will go to Screnton to be in readiness for the convention of miners, which meets there on Thursday next.

### DIVORCE AT HAGERSTOWN.

#### Third Granted to Plaintiff-Judge's Pertinent Remarks. pecial Dispatch to The Star.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., April 28.-Judge Keedy signed a decree here today granting Weisel Fox a divorce from his wife, Della B. Fox. This is the third divorce for Fox, who has been the complainant in no less than four different divorce suits. He had to make two trials before he succeeded in procuring a divorce from his second wife. Judge Keedy regards this as the limit, and in connection with the decree. The court says that the testimony in the case is of such a character that he cannot under the law refuse the divorce, but he adds:

"Had I the power to exercise any discre-tion in this case I should deny the plainting the relief prayed for."

Judge Keedy says he knows of no prece-

dent limiting the number of times a party may be divorced, but he is strongly of the opinion that when a complainant asks to be divorced more than three times the bill should be dismissed on the ground of contributory negligence.

Henry C. Shafer, for years a bank mes

renry C. Shaler, for years a bank mes-senger in Hagerstown, died here today from laryngitis, aged afty-eight years. When a boy still in his teens he stood by the side of William Nowell, who fired the first shot across the Potomac river at Williamsport during the civil war. Mr. Shafer's home was at Williamsport at that time. His widow and five calldren survive. He was a brother of John Shafer of Cabin John, near Washington.

# HUSBAND AND WIFE SENTENCED Given Indeterminate Term in Forgery

CHICAGO, April 28 .- A motion for a new trial was overruled today in the case of Jefferson D. Benton and wife, who were convicted a week ago on a charge of cashing \$18,000 in forged pay checks purporting to have been issued by the Illinois Steel Company. Husband and wife were each given an indeterminate sentence in the penitentlary.

guilty to complicity, were given a similar sentence. Charles White, who turned state's evidence, was sentenced to a year in jati. Charles Grant, son of Mrs. Longpre, was sent to a reformatory

#### MYSTIC SHRINERS' ANNUAL. Imperial Potentate Names Chicago for Meeting Place.

TORONTO, Ont., April 28.—Imperial Po-tentate Harry Collins of the Mystic Shriners today declined to cancel his order calling off the convention of the order to have been held at Los Angeles on May 7. He has called a meeting for Chicago. J. H. Pearman, a messenger from the Los

Angeles Shriners, who asked that the meeting be held, vainly tried to get Mr. Collins to alter his decision.

Imperial Potentate Collins called the meeting at Chicago for June 12.

#### LIKELY TO BE SETTLED SOON. Seizure of American Fishing Boats by Mexican Authorities.

MEXICO CITY, April 28.-The matter of selzure of the American fishing smacks near Progresso, charged with violating the laws of Mexico forbidding fishing within three marine leagues of the shore, is likely soon to be settled satisfactorily to all concerned. Orders for the seizure of the smacks was given by the minister of war and marine at the instance of the foreign relations de-partment, which had received advices ai-leging that the violation of the law was

# Gov. Warfield's Appointments.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., April 28.—The follow ing officials were today appointed by the governor: Jury commissioners for Prince George county, George W. Smith and

School commissioners for Montgomery county to serve six, four and two years, respectively: George H. Lamar, Z. M. Cook and J. H. Stonestreet.

Raised Fund to Meet Carnegie Offer.

COLUMBIA. S. C., April 28.-A special to the State from Newberry says: Dr. James A. B. Scherer, president of New-berry College, today raised \$10,000 from among the citizens of Newberry after five hours' work, in order to secure the \$10,000 offer from Andrew Carnegie, which provided that the college raise a like sum. The raising of the \$10,000 today has a two-fold purpose, in that it means a credit of \$10,000 toward securing the recent tender of \$25,000 made by Dr. R. K. Pearson of Chicago.

# BRITISH ARE INCENSED

PATIENCE OVER TABAH AFFAIR IS ABOUT EXHAUSTED.

LONDON, April 28.—The patience of Great Britain with Turkey over the Tabah affair is about exhausted, and it was under at the foreign office today if the sultan do not soon accede to the British demands there will be another demonstration a Turkish port within a short time. months have clapsed since the Egyptian government discovered that Turkish troops had occupied Tabah, heretofore con

to be an unimportant port at the head of

the gulf of Akabah.

Turkey, so Great Britain believes, occupied Tabah because she feared that Egypt, which proposed to extend a short line of railroad to that port would obtain control railroad to that port would obtain control of the guif of Akabah. But Great Britain claims that this is far from being the intention of Egypt. As soon as occupation of Tabah was discovered Egypt asked Turkey for an explanation, and the sultan in reply contended that Tabah was within his empire. This was disputed, but Great Britain offered to submit the guestion of the boundary delimitation to a commission, Turkey in the meantime to withdraw her troops. The sultan declined this offer, but offered to negotiate with Lord Cromer, the British agent at Cairo.

The British government acceded to this,

agent at Cairo.

The British government acceded to this, but was astonished to learn, when the negotiations opened that the Turkish commissioners at Cairo, in behalf of the suitan, claimed half of the Sinai peninsula, and stubbornly adhered to his demand that the half of the Sinai peninsula, which is considered to be a buffer state of Egypt, is Turkish territory, and that it be given over to the suitan.

Taking Up Case With Porte. Egypt refused to do so, the negotiations

were broken off and the fereign office here will take up the case with the porte. Thus far no communication has been sent to Constantinople on the subject, Great Britain being first anxious to ascertain whether the sultan authorized the Turkish commissioner at Cairo to claim half of the Sinal peninsula.

This has been found to be most difficult, as the British ambassador has been unable to see the sultan, who is either ill or feigning

Turkey's attitude is the cause of much Turkey's attitude is the cause of much irritation here and the government is prepared to take the most severe measures to protect Egyptian territory. There are many theories as to what is influencing Turkey. The British foreign office holds that the Turkish commissioner at Cairo is largely responsible for the present situation, and that he probably has been led by German scientists and merchants at Cairo to believe that Germany will support Turkey's aggression. There appears, however, to be no ground for some of the press statements that Germany is actually so doing.

King Edward and Sir Charles Hardinge. the permanent undersecretary of the for-elgn office, will return to London early next week, when a meeting of the council will be held and possibly final steps in the matter may be taken to impress the sultan with the necessity for the withdrawal of

The British cruiser Minerva left Port Said for El Arish today in order to ascertain whether it is true that the Turks have re-

#### noved the boundary posts at certain po MONEY NOT RECEIVED

#### German Consul in San Francisco Wires Inquiry.

When the German embassy received dispatches from the German consul in San Francisco, Franz Bopp, and was advised that he had opened a temporary consulate in San Francisco and was in need of money for the immediate relief of German subjects who had appealed to him in an attempt to get funds to meet the emergency. dispatch was received from Mr. Bopp stating that he had not received any money and inquiring about the delay.

The War Department was asked to cooperate with the embassy in getting a dis-

### BURNED WITH HOT POKERS. Chicago Parents Held for Alleged

Brutality. CHICAGO, April 28.-Charged with torturing their two children, four and six years old, with hot iron pokers, Michael Janoszek and his wife were today held to the criminal court in bonds of \$10,000 each.

The children, with their bodies bruised and burned, were taken into court, where several neighbors testified to the brutality of the parents.

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Subcommittees Named Meeting Last Night.

GENERAL ORDERS ISSUED

Local Organizations Represented in the General Committee

MEETINGS TO HEAR REPORTS

Statements Made, Showing That the Preparations Are Well Advanced -Looking After Details.

Plans for the annual observance of Me norial day, May 30, are being rapidly perected. Under general orders No. 3, issued from headquarters, Department of the Poomac, Grand Army of the Republic, and dated April 20, 1906, a memorial executive ommittee was appointed, composed of members of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Veterans and the United Spanish War Veterans. Subcommittees of this general committee were also appoint ed on decoration and grounds, transportation, finance, music, reception, accounts and upon decoration of the several ceme teries where there are soldier's graves.

At G. A. R. Hall, 1412 Pennsylvania ave nue, last evening, a meeting of the general ommittee was held, and each of the three organizations was well represented. Reports were heard from the various sub-committees, and consisted mainly of state-ments by the several chairmen that organi-zation had been effected and the work be-

A resolution was adopted that the general committee shall meet each Saturday even-ing at 8 o'clock to hear reports of progress by the subcommittees until Memorial day. Committee Organization. The organization of the memorfal execu

ive committee comprising representatives from the G. A. R., the Sons of Veterans and the United Spanish War Veterans is as follows: B. P. Entrikin, department commander

as chairman; Thos. H. Martin, senior vice; B. F. Graham, junior vice; Edward Webster, A. A. general secretary; F. L. Mc Kenna, A. Q. M. G. treasurer; Thomas Calver, medical director; C. W. Gallagher, chaplain. Past department commanders-Frank

H. Sprague, Geo. E. Corson, D. S. Alexander, Chas. P. Lincoln, JJ. M. Pipes, Nathan Bickford, Arthur Hendricks, I. W. Stone, A. Hart, Benjamin F. Hawkes, Harrison Dingman, Newton M. Brooks, W. S. Odell, A. F. Dinsmore, John McElroy, Calvin Farnsworth, Benjamin F. Bingham, A. vin Farnsworth, Benjamin F. Bingham, A. P. Tasker, A. H. G. Richardson, S. S. Burdette, Jerome B. Burk, M. Emmett Urell, S. E. Faunce, Thos. S. Hopkins, Geo. H. Slaybaugh, I. G. Kimball, Chas. C. Royce. Post 1—Orlando E. Caruana, commander; Gideon A. Lyon. Post 2—Charles S. Wilder, commander; J. L. H. Winfield. Post 3—J. D. Bledgrad, approacher. D. Bloodgood, commander; W. H. Proctor.
Post 5—Alfred Shaw, commander; Charles
Matthews. Post 6—Richard M. Calhoun,
commander; M. M. Lewis, Post 7—John M. Young, commander; H. A. Johnson. Post 8-Lucius D. Alden, commander; James H. Blodgett. Post 9—R. D. Goodman, com-mander; P. T. Lee. Post 10—P. C. George, commander; George R. Cook. Post 11— William O'Meara, commander; S. C. Robb. Post 13—A. B. Frisbie, commander; William H. Peck. Post 14—B. W. Bonney, com-mander; P. O. Lawrence. Post 15—Edward mander; P. O. Lawrence. Post 15—Edward
A. Keeler, commander; H. H. House. Post
17—William H. Anderson, commander; William M. Jones. Post 19—W. B. Sebastian,
commander; George W. Fletcher. Post 29—
H. C. Watson, commander; E. J. Sweet.
Post 21—J. N. Mayne, commander; Alex.
Orleaby. Oglesby.
Sons of Veterans-Francis E. Cross, di-

vision commander; Charles S. Davis, secre-tary; Henry M. Statz, Lincoln Camp; Chas. D. Scott, Graham Camp; Charles A. Sid-man, Cushing Camp. United Spanish War Veterans—John Lewis United Spanish War Veterans—John Lewis Smith, department commander; G. E. Rausch, department adjutant; W. H. Low-der, Miles Camp; Harry Walsh, Hardin Camp; D. C. Eberley, Immune Camp; E. J. Dimmick, Lawton Camp; F. J. Sullivan, As-tor Camp; H. C. Porter, Dewey Camp.

#### Subcommittees Named. The subcommittees are organized as fol-

Decoration and grounds-E. J. Sweet. chairman; John McElroy, Calvin Farnsworth, J. M. Pipes, James H. Blodgett, H. C. Watson, Charles S. Davis, G. E. Rausch, Orlando E. Caruana, J. D. Bloodgood, R. M. Calhoun, John M. Young, Charles D. Scott, F. J. Sullivan, William M. Jones and W. B. Sebastian.

W. B. Sebastian.
Transportation-B. W. Bonney, chairman M. Emmert Urell, George E. Corson, W. H. Proctor, H. C. Porter, Henry M. Statz, P. C. George, J. L. H. Winfield, Gideon A. Lyon, R. D. Goodman, W. H. Lowder, P. T.

Lee.

Music-Dr. Thomas Calver, chairman; S.
E. Faunce, M. M. Lewis, Charles S. Wilder,
Charles S. Davis, W. A. O'Meara, A. H. G.
Richardson, Alexander Oglesby, E. J. Dimmick, A. B. Frisble H. A. Johnson,
Auditing accounts-Benjamin F. Bingham,
chairman; W. S. Odell, Edward A. Keeler,
J. M. Mayne, Charles Matthews,
Reception-Gen. S. S. Burdette, chairman;
A. Hart, vice chairman; department officers
and past department commanders.

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Vice Department Commander Thomas H. Martin, chairman; W. H. Anderson, with Wilson Post, 17; F. J. Sullivan, with Astor Camp, Spanish War Veterans.

Congressional Cemetery—B. F. Graham, junior vice department commander, chairman; P. C. George, with Farragut Post, No. 10; Charles D. Scott, with Graham Camp, No. 10, Sons of Veterans; D. C. Eberly, with 4th Immune Camp, Spanish War Veterans.

Isolated Graves—P. O. Lawrence, chairman; George, W. Fletcher, H. H. House, D. C. Eberly, Henry M. Statz and William H. Peck.

Glenwood Cemetery and northeast section Glenwood Cemetery and northeast section—Edward A. Keeler, commander Post 15, chairman: H. H. House, with George H. Thomas Post, No. 15; Charles A. Sidman, with Cushing Camp, Sons of Veterans; Harry Waish, with Harden Camp, Spanish War Veterans: Charles S. Davis.

Oak Hill and Holy Rood—W. B. Sebastian, commander Morris Post, No. 19, chairman; George W. Fletcher, with Morris Post, No. 19; H. C. Porter, with Dewey Camp, Spanish War Veterans.

19; H. C. Porter, with Dewey Camp, Spanish War Veterans.

St. Elizabeth's—A. B. Frisble, commander Post 13, chairman; Wm. H. Peck with Logan Post, No. 13; Henry M. Statz, with Lincoln Camp, Sons of Veterans.

Harmony cemetery—R. D. Goodman, commander Post 9, chairman; J. N. Mayne, commander Post 21, vice chairman; Plato T. Lee, with Chas. Sumner Post, No. 9; Alexander Oglesby, with Douglas Post, No. 21 Battleground cemetery—Nathan Bick-ford, chairman; Arthur Hendricks, Benj. F. Bingham, E. J. Dimmick, with Lawton Camp, S. W. Vets.

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BETWEEN PANAMA CANAL COM-MISSION AND BANKERS.

Laborers on Isthmus Understand Value of United States Money in Larger Sums.

for the furnishing of the silver of the Panployes expires today, and at present there is no intention to renew the agreement, as It is believed the necessity for it no longer

canal commission and their subdinates who are in charge of the payment of employes are convinced that la-borers have now been educated sufficiently in the value of United States money to make it possible to use American gold and paper for all sums in excess of five dollars. Sufficient Panaman silver can be obtained by the commission without the co-operation of bankers to supply the money required

of bankers to supply the money required for smaller payments.

The bankers' agreement was the subject of much criticism. It contained a number of provisions and rewarded the bankers for their efforts by allowing them three-fourths of one per cent exchange on United States money they suppled to the commission in exchange for drafts on New York. It also stipulated that the commis-York. It also stipulated that the commis-sion could deposit United States currency with the bankers and obtain New York drafts for an exchange of one-half of one per cent.
The bankers were not satisfied with the

agreement as it did not yield them sufficient profit. They received no commission for supplying the Panaman silver and found it difficult to get the amount required by the commission. Through the transfer of \$6,000,000 to the isthmus during the life of the contract, according to Secretary's Tatt's statement, bankers realized a profit of only \$16,350.

The Secretary of War was willing to

The Secretary of war was willing to increase the remuneration of the bankers and also was willing to request the Panama government to coin 1,500,000 pesos to relieve the scarcity of silver, but he felt that only temporary relief could be afforded by these means and took no steps to continue the bankers' agreement. He has advised Congress to establish a branch of some American bank on the isthmus and believes that such a step is the only possible means of permanently relieving the commission from cumbersome methods in paying employes.

# LOSS NOT EXAGGERATED

### DANGER IS IN NOT GIVING ENOUGH TO SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 28 .- Dr. Devine of the National Red Cross tonight issued the following statement: "It is important for the entire country to

understand that the loss of homes and property in San Francisco has not been exaggerated, expectations have been aroused and plans have been made based on telegrams and newspaper reports of large contributions for relief and the expectations

should not be disappointed. "The distribution of food will have to be continued until there are enough stores in which to buy on a money basis, and then it can gradually be diminished, but relief of other kinds is now, and will be, required for weeks to come. Sick and delicate per-sons will need care for months. Inmates of institutions, which have been burned and of some plan yet to be devised. Families, which cannot get started otherwise, may have to be given a helping hand.
"It is not intended to encourage chronic dependence; but quick, generous and effi-cient relief is needed here for a very large number of people whose homes and means of livlihood have been destroyed. We do not know what amount has been given in the aggregate, but, judging from what is actually in the hands of the finance com-mittee or at its disposal, the danger is not that it will be too large, but that it will be

# LABOR DAY'S OUTLOOK

### NOTABLE SITUATION IN CHI-CAGO-STRIKE CONDITIONS.

CHICAGO, April 28.-For the first time in years May 1 promises to find Chicago practically free from extensive labor disturbances. Only one or two strikes of importance are in prospect. In most branches of industry the workers are arranging for another peaceful year, or where unable to reach an adjustment of difficulties with employers are seeking arbitration of their

The chief labor struggle now threatening to begin next Tuesday involves 3,000 iron molders. It is certain that a majority of these men will strike. Notices were sent to concerns within a radius of thirty-five miles stating the molders will quit in all shops where demands for an increase in wages from \$3 to \$3.25 are not granted.

wages from \$3 to \$3.25 are not granted. Several minor strikes in this industry already are in progress.

Of ten other unions which have agreements expiring on May 1 only two or three are believed to be contemplating radical action, and in these cases there are strong probabilities of amicable settlements. Trouble may develop on the Great Lakes, and it is possible the teamsters who drive truck wagons may try conclusions once more with employers.

once more with employers.

The number of men on strike at present all over the city is comparatively small for this time of year. Of teamsters alone more than 5,000 were engaged in a strike one year ago. Today less than half that number of workers in all branches of trade

be minor cases. "Every possible avenue has been opened

to enable underwriters to reach the conto enable underwriters to reach the con-clusion that while a number of companies are reinsuring their business, yet the chance of failure is remote. The com-panies operating in San Francisco are of a high grade and their stockholders have per-sonal reputations to protect. If a com-pany reinsures, as some already have done, their business will be better protected than it was before, because only the stronger companies are reinsuring others. There-fore a policyholder whose original com-pany has reinsured has back of the policy greater assets and surplus than before.

# Offer From Oakland Alarmed San

STIRRED UP REALTY MEN.

Francisco Merchants. made by citizens of Oakland to give a large

tract of land on that side of the bay to the wholesalers stirred up the real estate men to the importance of immediate action to retain these firms in San Francisco, and from present indications it seems that there will be no difficulty in arriving at some sort of understanding between these two

# AGREEMENT EXPIRES SEARCH FOR FUGITIVE

Police in Quest of Miss Arctander's Assailant.

HARD PROBLEM TO SOLVE

Descriptive Circulars Sent to All Sections of the Country.

SEVERAL SUSPECTS ARRESTED

Scene of Assault Visited-Case Discussed With the De-

Several thousand descriptive circulars were ssued by Maj. Sylvester last night and sent to the police departments throughout the country offering a reward for the arrest of the colored man who assaulted and robbed Miss Edele Arctander on the Blagden Mill road Friday afternoon. Dr. Gregg Custis, the attending physician, stated to Capt. Boardman last night that the crime was only an attempted criminal assault. Capital punishment, therefore, does not apply. Since the affair was reported to the police by Dr. Custis, Maj. Sylvester and Capt. Boardman have been urging the detectives and policemen to do everything in their power to bring about the arrest of the guilty person

"It's a hard problem to solve," one of Capt. Boardman's detectives admitted last night, "and if we get him we will also have the assaillant of Miss Mary Hunt and Mr. Allen Harrison." The police squad of the tenth precinct

was increased Friday night by the detail of men from other precincts. The extra men were on duty there again yesterday, the woods through Rock Creek Park and the woods through Rock Creek Park and in that vicinity were scoured by those who were searching for the man who at-tempted the felonious assault after he had taken the handbag of the victim. Several suspects were arrested yesterday, and some of them were seen by Miss Arctander, but she was not able to identify any of them. She has not seen all however. She has not seen all, however, and will probably look at the others today. The scene of the assault was visited yesterday by detectives, policemen and others, and many persons living in the vicinity of the place were questioned. None of the residents of that section could be found who had seen the colored man, but he was ob seved by others loitering about the was ob-served by others loitering about the park not far from the old mill Friday morning, or about four hours before the robbery and assault were committed.

#### Scene of the Assault At that point, where Miss Arctander was seated on a plank reading a magazine, she

driveway and was in a position where she could see automobiles and other vehicles speeding along. Persons who were in that section of the park Friday afternoon noticed the young woman seated there reading the magazine. It was probably some time after 3 o'clock when she heard footsteps near her and turned and saw the strange colored man with her hand bag. She asked him to take the contents and return the bag, but he let her know that he had not the slightest idea of granting her request. Seeing he was determined and that she could gain nothing by parkeying with thim, Miss Arctander, furned and that the could gain nothing by parkeying with the could gain the could ga started east along the Blagden Mill road.

He had jumped from an abutment on the edge of the creek and, the young lady thought, had gone in a westerly direction.

Her experience was sufficient and she decided to hurry to the street car line on Her experience was sufficient and she decided to hurry to the street car line on Brightwood avenue, and finish her reading elsewhere. She had proceeded about 200 yards when she again heard footsteps, and before she could turn and make an investigation, she was grabbed and thrown upon the ground. There, out of sight of human habitation and upon the rough abandoned road, she fought and struggled with all her might against a powerfully built man. It seemed to her that the struggle lasted an hour before she was finally released and permitted to leave her assailant. She then made her way up the steep hill to the house of Robert Cross, colored, about 100 yards from the road.

The woman was in such a nervous state that she hardly realized what she was doing. Going almost to the house before she saw Mrs. Cross and others, she simply remarked: "This is not the place," turned and went back to the road. Then she made another start toward Brightwood, hoping every minute she would meet a white person and fearing she might be overtaken and assaulted by the man.

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When she reached the house of the Cross family there was dirt upon her clothing and her appearance was such that but it tle attention was paid to her. Had it n c been for the change in her appearance that had been made by her assallant, Mrs. Cross would have assisted her. Miss Arctander finally reached the main road, where her appearance made an entirely different impression on Mr. William McGuire and his

wife, and they took her in their carriage. Bloodstains were found upon her and Dr. Custis says he thinks the blood was drawn from the woman with the finger nails of her assailant.

Miss Arctander yesterday accompanied Detective Warren and showed him where she was seated at the time her handbag was taken and also the place where she was afterward overtaken on the road and so brutally treated. The finding of the purse in the park west of where the theft was committed convinced the detectives was committed convinced the detectives that the colored man did not leave that section by going over the road toward Brightwood, but that he retraced his foot-

The number of men on strike at present all over the city is comparatively small for this time of year. Of teamsters alone more than 5,000 were engaged in a strike one year ago. Today less than half that number of workers in all branches of trade are out.

FIRE INSURANCE PLANS.

Chicago Outlook is Optimistic—Few Failures.

CHICAGO. April 28.—The Tribune today says: "Owing to the solicitude that is expressed by the public as to the possible future of the fire insurance companies whose policies they possess or who are asxious as to the character of their indemnity, it is but just to state that from the best possible information that can be gathered no company will fall and leave its policies unprotected. If there are failures there will be minor cases.

"Every possible avenue has been opened"

section by going over the road toward Brightwood, but that he retraced his foot-steps and crossed the creek.

He then had the choice of five ways to leave that part of the park, as there are that many roads leading in as many different directions. So far as the police were able to ascertain yesterday and last night, the colored man was not seen after he had committed the assault. After securing the contents of the handbag, \$1.75 and five car tickets, it is thought that he left the road and went to the woods, remaining out of sight or under cover until he was able to get awy unnoticed. Freeinct Detective Estes of the tenth precinct visited the spot where the assault was committed and found saveral articles that had been dropped by Miss Arctander. He picked up a hairpin, safety pin and pencil. There were also several pieces of the magazine that had been torn during the struggle. While the police were making the investigation they found a young lady in the woods away from the road sketching pictures of the creek. She was alone, and the police warned her of what had occurred to Miss Arctander Friday.

Looking for an Opportunity.

Looking for an Opportunity. It was stated to the police last night that colored man answering the description of the assallant of the young woman was seen moving along Blagden Mill road about 11 o'clock Friday morning. He was a stranger

His presence there at that time caused ome of the police to believe that he was about there most of the day looking for an opportunity to rob or assault some one, There was but very little likelihood that he There was but very little likelihood that he would be discovered at the place where the assault was committed, as the Cross house is the nearest residence, and that was so far away that people living there could not have heard an outery made by a person upon that part of the road.

At the 7 o'clock roll call at police headquarters last night Capt. Boardman discovered the content of the

to those who saw him.

a car and asked him the way to Hyatts-ville, saying he worked for a man who lived about two miles from Hyattsville, and that he wanted to find him to get his week's pay. Detective Helan was sent in search of the individual.

# MUST SERVE SENTENCE

## PRESIDENT DECLINES TO GRANT PARDON TO MATTERN.

John E. Mattern, proprietor of a 7th street cigar store, who was convicted of making handbooks on the races, must serve his sentence of three months in jail. The last hope for a pardon for him was lost last week, when the appeal to the President was decided unfavorably. It was announced yesterday from the White House that the President had taken up the application of Mattern for a pardon, as to that part of the sentence which involved a jail sentence, and had refused to grant the re-

The strongest influence of prominent local

men was brought to bear to secure a pardon for Mattern, and his friends were hopeful that he would get off with the payment of the fine of \$400. Even after the Department of Justice refused to recommend a pardon Attorney H. E. Davis carried the appeal direct to the President. The fact that the judge who sat in the trial of the case before a turn in the Police Court and that the judge who sat in the trial of the case before a jury in the Police Court and the United States attorney refused to recommend a pardon was the basis for the refusal of the Department of Justice to interfere, as explained by the Attorney General at the time.

As the result of this decision of the Presi-

dent not to interfere Mattern must pay the penalty imposed by Judge Kimball in the Police Court—three months in jail and \$400 fine or six months more in jail. It is expected that the United States attorney, upon being officially advised of the denial application for a pardon, will summitted to jail to serve his sentence. Mat-tern has been out on \$300 bond, since his

#### Attracts Wide Attention.

The Mattern case has attracted wide attention in the District, both on account of the prominence of the defendant and the seriousness of the crime charged against him. He was arrested on November 11, last year, in a raid on his store at 436 7th street, led by Precinct Detective Mullen and Sergeant Hartley of the first precinct. After securing a continuance of his case at first, on November 18, Mattern was arraigned in the Police Court and demanded a trial by

He was tried February 1 by a jury before Judge Kimball in the Police Court and was found guilty, no evidence having been submitted by the defense. A motion for a new trial was made, but on February 13 that motion was denied and the sentence of ninety days' imprisonment and \$400 fine was

#### Denied by Court of Appeals. The case was carried to the Court of

Appeals by Attorney Ambrose, for the defendant; but that tribunal refused to grant a new trial, and ordered the sentence to be carried out. Then it was that an application to the Department of Justice was made for a pardon, as to the imprisonment.
That was denied by the Attorney General,
and later by the President, as has been
stated before.

was just across the creek from the Beach In imposing the sentence in this case Judge Kimbali stated that he followed his Judge Kimball stated that he followed his announced attention to impose both im-prisonment and a fine on persons guilty of making handbooks on the races, and he imposed the same sentence as had been given Manuel Kane, sentenced previously. At the time, also, his honor made mention that Mattern had been arrested before on a similar charge, and on being allowed to forfeit collateral was warned not to re-peat the offense.

# BUSSIAN ERECTIONS DISAP-

POINTING TO THE GOVERNMENT.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 28.-Official resuits of the elections to the national par-liament yesterday and today are as follows: Members of the center, 30; members of the left, 62; members of the right, 8, and 33 mmbers whose denomination has not been determined. Fifty-seven elections

will take place tomorrow. will take place tomorrow.

The elections of yesterday show that the tide against the government is rising instead of subsiding, for instead of a more conservative element, the candidates elected are even more radical in their opinions than those chosen April 8. A notable feature of the result of the election is the increasing radical character of the representative character of the representative character. cases, the peasants named representatives with views which are even more extreme than those held by the constitutional demo-crats. At Saratoff, the capital of the province of that name, which has been center of the Agrarian agitation, the peasants chose some of their number who are now on their way to exile in Siberia.

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The government has been trying desperately to win the support of the peasants, realizing that without it the government will be in a hopeless position. During the preparations for the meeting of parliament the government will practically devote its entire attention to appeasing the peasants. The plan for the solution of the land question, which is the keystone of its policy, is not yet finished, but the minister of justice has completed the projects for a law which will be introduced into parliament immediately, and which is designed to remove the evils of village administration, which have been especially burdensome to the peasants. The principal of these reforms will be the abolition of the higher and lower rural district courts, which exercise the greatest tyranny over the communes. It is proposed to supersede them by elected local judges, besides making the local government officials responsible for malfeasance in office.

NEW YORK, April 28 .- Arrived: Steamers Cedric, Liverpool and Queenstown; Etruria, Liverpool and Queenstown. Sailed: Steamers Deutschland, Ham burg, via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Minneapolis, London; Batavia, Hamburg; Finland, Antwerp via Dover; Campania, Liverpool via Queenstown; New York, Southampton via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Konig Albert, Naples and Genoa; Furnessia, Glasgow; Louisiana, Genoa; Roma, Na-

Ocean Steamship Movements.

QUEENSTOWN, April 28.-Sailed: Steam-ST. VINCENT, C. V., April 28.—Arrived: Steamer Pentaur, San Francisco, via Montevideo, for Hamburg. CHERBOURG, April 27.—Sailed: Steamer Amerika (from Hamburg and Dover), New

NAPLES, April 27.—Sailed: Steamer Citta Di Milano, New York. ANTWERP, April 28.—Sailed: Steamer Kroonland, New York, via Dover. LIVERPOOL, April 28.—Salled: Steam-er Lucanic, New York, via Queenstown. COPENHAGEN, April 25. — Arrived: Steamer Heilig Olav, New York, via Chris-tiansand.

MARSEILLES, April 25.-Steamer Madonna, New York. GENOA, April 26.-Arrived: Bulgaria, New York, via Naples. QUEENSTOWN, April 28. - Arrived

GENOA, April 25.—Sailed: Steamer Lombardia, New York.

BREMEN, April 26.—Sailed; Steamer Breslau, Baltimore. Breslau, Baltimore.

COPENHAGEN, April 26.—Sailed: Steamer Tietjen, New York.

PALERMO, April 26.—Sailed: Steamer Sicilian Prince, from Naples, New York.

SHIELDS, April 27.—Sailed: Steamer Florida, from Copenhagen, New York.

HAVRE, April 28. Noon.—Sailed: Steamers La Lorraine, New York; La Gascogne, New York.

CHERBOURG, April 28.

FIUME, April 24.—Sailed: Steamer Sia